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In response to the office action, paper number 3, dated May 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 1-13 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--A rack-mount storage system according to one embodiment of the present invention may comprise an equipment cabinet that defines at least one device opening therein. A first device sized to be received by the first device opening defines a first mounting pathway therein. The first device has a chassis that is sized to receive at least one component of the first device and that also defines at least a portion of the first mounting pathway. A support spar sized to be received by the first mounting pathway and being sized to engage said equipment cabinet and extend substantially between first and second sides of